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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 13-36 remain in this application with claims 13, 19, 25 and 31 being independent claims. Claims 1-12 and 37-43 have been canceled. Claims 13-15, 19-21, 25 and 31 have been amended.

In the outstanding office action, independent claims 13, 19, 25 and 31 were rejected under 35 USC 102(e) as being anticipated by *Gallant et al.* (US Patent No. 6,636,596). Applicant has amended these claims and asserts that these claims as now presented overcome this rejection. In particular, *Gallant*, whether taken alone or in any reasonable combination with the cited references, does not disclose, teach or render obvious the present invention. In particular, the emulation device (element 27) of *Gallant* is not located in a switching device connected to the SIP-unobservant device, as is present claimed. Therefore, as each and every element of the present invention is not disclosed by *Gallant*, Applicant respectfully requests that this rejection be withdrawn.

Regarding claims 14-18, as these claims depend either directly or indirectly from independent claim 13, and therefore incorporate all the limitations of claim 13 therein, for the reasons set forth above with respect to claim 13, Applicant asserts that these claims are also in condition for allowance.

Regarding claims 20-24, as these claims depend either directly or indirectly from independent claim 19, and therefore incorporate all the limitations of claim 19 therein, for the reasons set forth above with respect to claim 19, Applicant asserts that these claims are also in condition for allowance.

Regarding claims 26-30, as these claims depend either directly or indirectly from independent claim 25, and therefore incorporate all the limitations of claim 25 therein, for the reasons set forth above with respect to claim 25, Applicant asserts that these claims are also in condition for allowance.

Regarding claims 32-36, as these claims depend either directly or indirectly from independent claim 31, and therefore incorporate all the limitations of claim 31 therein, for the

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reasons set forth above with respect to claim 31, Applicant asserts that these claims are also in condition for allowance.

It is believed that the foregoing amendment places the Application in condition for allowance; therefore, Applicant respectfully requests withdrawal of the Examiner's rejection of the claims, and full allowance of same. Should the Examiner have any further comments or suggestions, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner contact the undersigned to expeditiously resolve any outstanding issues.

Respectfully submitted,

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